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Gender issues may be worth a study

BY MARY VERSTEEG-HALL
Staff Contributor

Issues related to gender are rocking the nation. Daily people are confronted with everything from possible billion dollar sexual harassment bills to the Citadel's poor treatment of women cadets. These are only a few of the gender related issues bombarding the front pages of newspapers and covers of newspapers.

Can something be done to help prepare our men and women for a tomorrow where gender lines are becoming increasingly hazy?

Some universities around the country are broadening the discussion of gender issues with what is called gender studies, a field of study which looks at how both men and women are influenced by society. It is supplementing or replacing women's studies in such universities as, University of Indiana, University of Chicago, and Stanford University.

"In some places gender studies is a response to the narrowness of women's studies," stated Judith Burdan, assistant professor in PUC's English and Philosophy department. Burdan added, "Gender studies is a good thing if it makes the study of gender more complex without diluting or replacing women's studies."

So, is PUC going to board the gender studies bus?

"The women's studies program is not currently involved in switching to gender studies," stated Professor Janet Jackson. "We believe that women's studies is meeting the needs and interests of our students on campus." Jackson stated that the PUC women's studies program is focused on studying

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How credible is that Web site?

Check out the background of the publishers before you cite.

(CPS) – The student at Davidson College, near Charlotte, N.C., innocently turned to the Internet for help researching a paper on the origins of the AIDS virus.

Most of what she had found, both in printed and Internet sources, listed the conventional and widely accepted theories that the disease began among primates in Africa or in an isolated human population. She cited them, offering arguments for and against the theories.

Then she found an obscure World Wide Web site, not affiliated with any research or governmental group, that outlined in elaborate, if sometimes confusing, detail how the virus was supposedly invented in secret U.S. military laboratories as part of a biological warfare research project. She accepted it at face value and made it the central argument of her paper.

Her professors made her rewrite the essay. Why? The Web site she used didn't pass the usual tests for determining whether information is reliable enough for citation in an academic paper.

"Any time you have a topic that is potentially controversial, you're likely to run across these kinds of sites," said Frank Molinek, head of serials and government documents at Davidson's E.H. Little Library. "You find students assuming that what's at these sites is the same sort of thing as if you were reading a scholarly journal."

Although the Internet can speed

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Reigning royalty

Photo by Christopher Kosovich

Taiye Hattisburg and Robert Vaccaro Jr., are this year's Homecoming King and Queen. They were crowned after the Homecoming game February 15.

More choices in biology for fall

New introductory courses target non-majors.

BY LETICIA GODINA
Staff Contributor

If you are one of the many students in need of a science credit to graduate, the options have now broadened.

This fall the department of Biological Science at Purdue University Calumet will be introducing two new classes to accommodate students who do not have a strong biology background. The courses are, introduction to environmental biology and introduction to human biology. These lab science courses will be offered at a 100 level without any prerequisites.

According to Dr. Young Choi, associate professor of biology, the new environmental course description will be similar to that of Biology 482, biological conservation, which is no longer offered. Choi says that the eliminated course was originally created, over 20 years ago by the West Lafayette campus, specifically for education majors. Although the contents of the class was of an introductory nature, it was given a 400 level designation.

The other new biology course will be an anatomy class. It will cover the same concepts as in the current anatomy course, but it will be less vigorous. Choi stated that there were some students who could not compete in the present anatomy class. For them to be more compatible, it was decided to separate the students.

Other biology courses available to non biology majors include Biology 112 and 113, introduction to life sciences. Choi says that all these classes are more issue oriented and aimed at exposing students to science.

Michigan College Republican president accused of fraud

Gains access to state convention by posing as a reporter.

ANN ARBOR, MI (CPS) - Nick Kirk, president of the University of Michigan chapter of the College Republicans, allegedly gained access to the state Republican convention about three weeks ago by pretending to be a reporter for The Michigan Review.

"It's just an accusation," Kirk said. "They have no tangible evidence."

But Sage Eastman, press secretary for the Michigan Republican Party, confirmed last night that Kirk said he was a Review staff writer.

"I find it odd that someone in charge of the College Republicans would pretend to be a member of the press," Eastman said. "It's disappointing."

Some College Republicans said that given Kirk's status as the leader of the group, he would not have needed to pretend to be a reporter to gain admittance.

"The position he's in gives him access to most people there," said Pete Rinato, the group's vice president for alumni affairs. "Nick's pretty well-known across the state.

Geoff Brown, Editor-in-Chief of The Michigan Review, said there has been a history of tension between Kirk and the Review.

"The Review has had a problem with him," Brown said. "That might have been his motivation to choose the Review."

Brown said he discovered Kirk's alleged fraud after receiving "several e-mails from College Republicans saying this had happened."

Kirk said there are certain members of the College Republicans who are conspiring against him.

He said these members are admitting many people into the group who have not participated in events only to aid specific candidates in the group's March 19 officer elections.

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ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Clarifying the general education core requirement

You have heard and read about Purdue Calumet's pending general education core requirement. But what you have heard and read may not have provided a complete and accurate picture of what the requirement is—and is not.

The purpose of this week's column is to clarify, if not correct some misunderstanding students, faculty and staff may have about this initiative, which is to be implemented next fall.

Why a general education requirement?

While there are those who caution not to try to fix something that isn't broken, we think there is great benefit to including a general education component in our curricula.

The North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, the quality assurance body that accredits our institution, agrees and strongly recommended that we develop such a requirement.

From our perspective, professional and technical depth is best achieved as part of a broader-based process of general education. Courses that bolster core intellectual skills such as writing, speaking and problem-solving strengthen a student's more specialized education—whether one majors in engineering, English or any other discipline. Employers tell us this time and time again.

What does our general education core requirement seek to do?

Our general education program intends to do the following:

- develop and enhance basic academic skills;
- provide important, general collegiate level knowledge;
- develop critical skills in communication and problem-solving areas; and
- integrate these skills and areas of knowledge in such a way that students develop an appreciation of the importance of life-long learning.

What the general education requirement is NOT!

General education at Purdue Calumet will not take the form of enrollment in specific, mandated courses for all students. Instead, the requirement is based on students choosing course(s) from several, broad academic areas.

It'll be up to each academic discipline to determine which courses fulfill general education requirements for their majors.

What exactly is required?

Based on the recommendation of the Council of Faculty Delegates' Research and Educational Policy Committee, our general education core requirement is applicable to all Purdue Calumet bachelor degree programs.

Professor Linda Mura, chair of that committee, solicited widespread input from faculty before the general education proposal was finalized by the Council.

The requirement is as follows:

- **English Composition (6 credit hours)**: three hours in composition and a three-hour writing intensive course.
- **Natural Science (3 credit hours)**: in physics, biology, chemistry, geoscience or appropriate interdisciplinary natural science lab course.
- **Mathematics or Statistics (3 credit hours)**: in collegiate level mathematics or statistics.
- **Humanities (3 credit hours)**: in literature, history, philosophy, foreign languages, art, music, theater or appropriate interdisciplinary humanities.
- **Social Sciences (3 credit hours)**: in anthropology, psychology, sociology, political science, economics or appropriate interdisciplinary social science.
- **Speech Communication (3 credit hours)**.
- **Computer Utilization**: Departments will identify appropriate course(s) to enable their students to develop computer utilization skills relevant to their major.
- **Wellness Education and Technology**: While there is no minimum credit hour requirement, the faculty and administration is committed to providing students with information about how to maintain a healthy lifestyle and opportunities to stay active and physically fit. Students also will be provided opportunities to develop an understanding of the interface between technology and society.

In summarizing the general education initiative, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Sandra Singer said: "We have tried to focus on developing various skills and areas of knowledge rather than specifying particular courses. This approach permits the student, working with an academic advisor, to choose from a variety of courses that best satisfy specific learning interests or objectives."

At a glance

student organizations

Criminal Justice Club

The next meetings of the Criminal Justice club will be Tuesday, March 11 at 10 a.m. and Friday, March 14 at 10 a.m. in the Library study room. Members and non-members are welcome. If you have any questions, please call (219) 682-6087.

Theater Company seeks help

Purdue University Calumet's Theater seeks help with lighting, prop-movement, and ticket-sales. Interested parties can contact the Theater company at 989-2357 or stop by any day this week at Alumni Hall and see Tom, Regina or Summer.

Outings Club to meet

The Outings club will meet Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. in C-324H. We will discuss this spring's activities. Hiking, camping, and other trips will be planned for the upcoming warm weather. Spring will be here before you know it. Refreshments will be served.

around campus

Great interviewing

Butterflies in the Belly? It's springtime, love or a JOB INTERVIEW! Come hear John Lucas, member of the Management Department, speak about techniques for great interviewing. Sponsored by The Society for Human Resource Management, PUC Student Chapter in GYTE-109, Thursday, March 6 from 2 to 3 p.m.

Majors Fair

Tuesday, March 4, Purdue University Calumet is sponsoring a Majors Fair. This will be a great opportunity for students who are unsure about their major to discuss career choices with faculty, alumni, and departmental representatives. Also on hand will be advisors and counselors from Career Development and Placement, the Counseling Center, and University Division. Tables will be set up in the Library Building, first floor, making the Fair easily accessible for everyone.

New pavers for Founders Plaza

The spring installation of brick pavers is rapidly approaching. The deadline for paver orders is March 31. Pavers will be installed in May. You may purchase your pavers by check or credit card. For more information, call 989-2323.

25th edition of 'Skylark' literary magazine available

The 25th edition of Purdue University Calumet's literary magazine, "Skylark," is available at the university's Calumet Campus Shop and Barnes & Noble Booksellers for $6. "Skylark" features poetry, short stories, essays, illustrations and photographs from local talent as well as national and international talent from 25 U.S. states and Canada, Ireland and Germany. The 1997 edition is dedicated to the memory of Robert E. Nichols Jr., who for 31 years distinguished himself at Purdue Calumet as an award-winning English professor, scholar, writer and administrator.

Schedule of classes on the Web

Purdue University Calumet's Summer 1997 and Fall 1997 Schedule of classes are currently available on the World Wide Web! The URL for Summer course information is http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/public/register/summer/summer.htm The URL for Fall course information is http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/public/register/fall/fall.htm The course schedules have been designed in a searchable format, and are a snapshot of the information in the Banner System.

This information will be updated daily. Implementation of Banner Web in the near future will allow a real-time access to course information via the World Wide Web. For more information call Anne Severa in the Office of the Registrar, or Tony Gunia in the Office of Financial Aid.

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Quote of the week

'Democracy is the recurrent suspicion that more than half of the people are right more than half of the time.'

-Elwyn Brooks White
'The Wild Flag, 1946'

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Construction club gets business advice

BY CHRISTOPHER KOSOVICH
Editor-in-Chief

The Construction Club of Purdue University Calumet welcomed Mamon Powers Jr., President of Powers and Son Construction, and Louis Jones of Jones Enterprises, Inc. to speak to the club about their roles and the different aspects of the construction industry Thursday, Feb. 22.

The meeting started late due to poor weather, and because a client needed a proposal from Powers a.s.a.p. According to Powers, "Those are the things that will happen in the business. You have to roll with the punches."

Powers began discussing the aspect of owning your own business. "The construction business is one of the riskiest businesses next to restaurants," said Powers.

Powers stressed having a plan, and saving money to have working capital before getting a new business started. "The things you need are field experience, project management and money."

Louis Jones spoke about his company and the type of work they do. Jones also talked about the role of his company in the expansion of McCormick Place. The company is currently working on completing their role in the expansion project.

Cecil Foltz, president of the construction club, said, "The prime focus (of the club) is to gain as much exposure and experience as possible in the industry. We do it by attending educational seminars, having meetings and bringing in members of the industry."

The construction club is also involved in community projects. The club will be designing and building a daycare room for the Episcopal Community Services of Gary.

New option for nursing students

MIKE POYNTER
Staff Contributor

To meet the changing needs within the health care industry, the Department of Nursing at Purdue Calumet offers a Family Nurse Practitioner option under the Master of Science degree with a major in Nursing.

In recent years a trend developed in the philosophy of our nation's health care systems. Rather than treating those who are sick, health care officials are intent on becoming more economical by trying to bring about systems of health maintenance, hence, the role of the family nurse practitioner. The idea of the nurse practitioner dates back to the early 1970's, but has really come to the forefront in the last few years.

The family nurse practitioner is responsible for a variety of tasks normally restricted to a licensed physician. They do not eliminate the need for a physician, but function more in a collaborative role with an attending physician. Nurse practitioners have an increased interaction with patients. They place a great deal of emphasis on educating patients as to medical treatment, procedures, drug interaction, and health maintenance, The nurse practitioner can see patients, do assessments, and also has prescriptive authorities (in most states).

The demand for family nurse practitioners is on the increase because it is more economical from an employer's standpoint and because of a national trend for a more preventive approach to health care.

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and simplify research, teachers and librarians say it also has added an unexpected and difficult challenge helping students learn to sift the good from the bad.

Since last fall, Molinek has warned of the pitfalls of online research during Internet orientation sessions for Davidson students. He is adamant that there are many benefits to using the Internet, but the information found there must be put to the same tests as printed information.

Molinek and other college librarians offer these tips for judging the value of Internet sites: What is the site's purpose? Will its information be unbiased? Who sponsors the site? What are the organization's values or goals? Can you contact the sponsors should questions arise? Is the information well-documented? Does it provide citations to sources used in obtaining the information? Are individual articles signed or attributed? Is the date of the last revision posted somewhere on the page? What are the author's credentials? Is the author cited frequently in other sources? Lastly, how does the value of the Web-based information you've found compare with other available sources, such as print?

"A lot of it's real common-sensical," Molinek said. He said librarians and scholars have made careful decisions about what information students will find on a library's shelves. But, "when they sit down at the computer, they become responsible for keeping in mind the things that we as information-gatherers keep in mind."

Students most likely to get in trouble are those who rely only on the Internet. "There is good information out there," said Lou Ortmayer, a Davidson political science professor, "but it doesn't substitute for library research."

So you'd better not give me a paper that cites only Internet sources."

Career Corner

Spring Recruiting!

Underwriter Laboratories:
Tuesday, March 4
May and August '97 graduates in Electrical, Mechanical Engineering and Techs are welcome. Note: This is a service company for testing and analysis, not design.

Daxus Corporation:

Wednesday, March 5
Interviews are open to May graduates in Information Systems, Computer Programming, Electrical Engineering with computer emphasis, and Certificate in Information Systems.

Walgreens

Thursday, March 6
Interviews for Full-Time Management Trainee positions will be held. Alumni and May grads with General Communication, Business, General Management, Human Resource Management, Marketing, Organizational Communications or Leadership, Personnel & Human Resources and Public Relations majors are welcome.

US Steel

Friday, March 7
Only May '97 graduates with a BS will be able to interview for the following: Construction Tech, Industrial Engineering Tech, Manufacturing Engineering Tech, Supervision, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Techs.
REMINDER: You must sign up for interviews in the SFLC-349 CD&P Office!

Chicago Advertising Federation Career Day

Friday, March 14, starting at 7:30 a.m. you can have an opportunity to meet with industry professionals and learn about careers in advertising, marketing, and other communications-related fields. It will take place in the Chicago Marriott Downtown. Reservation applications are available at the CD&P Office, SFLC-349.

First Investors Corporation

They are offering a complete training program teaching about compliance and regulatory aspects of the investment industry as well as preparing you for licensing exams. Anyone looking for opportunities in this field are welcome to contact them for further information.
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Career development and placement
The Office of Career Development and Placement is in *SFLC-349*. You can call them at extension 2419.

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issues regarding women, which she believes have been neglected.

Jackson cites Failing at Fairness: How America's Schools Cheat Girls as the basis for her opinion. Co-authors, Myra and David Sadkers, studied elementary, secondary, and higher education's treatment toward female students. One of the many things they discovered was the lack of females in text books, including history, art, and music. When Sadkers asked students in high schools and colleges to name 20 famous females in American history, they discovered that fewer than five people could accomplish the task.

Many students stated that very few women had offered anything to American history, and that is why women are absent from text books. So the Sadkers showed students books that discussed prominent female characters in history. "I like science, but this is the first time I have seen books about women scientists. I want to learn more," stated one student after being introduced to famous American scientists.

PUC students said a great deal about gender and women's studies. Michael Ramos, who took a women's studies course at PUC, felt attacked at times during the class. "I feel women's studies might make that gap wider between men and women. Gender studies might create a more unbiased environment where men and women can come together on peaceful grounds," stated Ramos.

"It would be interesting to study how men and women are influenced by society," stated Kelly Brakebill, a sophomore in the nursing program.

William Johnson, a senior math major, discussed gender related issues for over an hour. He said, "women are fighting against men who do not want to change. If either of these programs could help us to get along, making society better, why not take a class?"

Fraud

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campaign against me," Kirk said. "They're trying to rig the election."

Kirk also said the Review has a personal vendetta against him.

"The Review has called me 'Dick Jerk.' They have called me 'Roy Cohn.' They have called me 'Richard Nixon,'" Kirk said. "They're just flinging mud at me."

Brown said Kirk was the only member of the College Republicans who pretended to be a Review writer. Also, Brown said he has been unofficially told that Kirk forged a press identification pass, but that charge has not been confirmed.

"Allegedly, Nick (Kirk) made a press I:D., got it laminated at Kinko's and signed my name to it," Brown said.

Women's History Month 1997

The Well-Being of Women **SFLC-100**
Monday March 3 – 12 noon and 4 p.m.
"Run for the Dream: The Gail Deavers Story" - chronicles the story of the gifted track athlete diagnosed with graves Disease, who undergoes chemotherapy but refuses medication, and struggles to come back and win the Gold medal at the 1992 Olympics.

Thursday, March 6 – 11 a.m. **SFLC-321**
"Reframing Birth: A Personal Journey"
The Coalition for Improving Maternity Services (CIMS) is a consortium of individuals and national organizations whose mission is to promote a wellness model of maternity care that will improve birth outcomes and substantially reduce costs, Dr. Woolley, representing CIMS, will present her personal and professional experiences of baby and mother-friendly birthing alternatives.Deboral Woolley, RN, CNM, Ph.D. University of Illinois at Chicago

Tuesday, March 11 – 11 a.m. **SFLC-321**
"Women and HIV; Get the Facts and Apply the Facts"
A discussion and performance on problem solving issues pertaining to women and HIV. Dianne Mitro, Graduate Assistant Wellness Coordinator, American Red Cross HIV/AIDS Instructor

Wednesday, March 12 – 7 p.m. **SFLC-321**
"Shaping the World with Our Hands"
This one-woman show, developed within Ms Farah's own ethnographic journey, embodies the voices of five Lebanese women. Laila Farah Doctoral Candidate at Southern Illinois University

Thursday, March 13 – 12 noon and 4 p.m. **SFLC-100**
Movie – "Steel Magnolias"
The story of a close-knit circle of friends whose lives comes together around Truvy's Beauty Parlor in a small parish in modern-day Louisana.

Tuesday, March 25 – 12 noon and 4 p.m. **SFLC-100**
Movie – "What's Love Got to Do with It?"
Chronicles the career of Tina Turnder from the time she met musician-songwriter Ike Turner until the launch of her solo career in the early 1980s. Based on Turner's autobiography, I, Tina

Wednesday, March 26 – 2 p.m. **Fitness Center**
"Building Awareness through Self Defense Tactics"
This seminar will raise participant sensitivity and provide hands-on training for various self-defense situations Catherine Gillotti Second Degree Brown Belt, Kenpo Karate Asst. Prof.,Department of Communication

Saturday, March 29 – 8 p.m.
"Domestic Violence"
Ms. Ramos is a leading activist and advocate for issues related to domestic violence. She traces her work in this field to 1976, when her family's New Jersey home served as the first shelter for battered women and children. She went on to earn a law degree at the University of Pennsylvania where she was recipient of the Fordham Human Rights Award for the most outstanding contribution to the advancement of individual freedom and human dignity. Maria Ramos (co-sponsored by the Artist Lecture Series)

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Learning from our mistakes

The letters to the editor this week bring attention to an important issue that needs to be clarified. The letters are in response to an article that was printed in The Chronicle about the general education core requirement.

The letters call for a more clearly stated and accurate representation of the facts about the requirement. These letters have provided us with important information and have helped clear up the confusion.

The Administration Update on page two of this issue of The Chronicle correctly explains the facts about the general education core requirement.

The purpose of any newspaper is to inform the public. In an attempt to inform, The Chronicle brought the general education core requirement to the public. However, the article published did not present the facts in clear and entirely correct manner.

When inaccuracies are published and left incorrect, a great disservice is done to the readers. The Chronicle is doing what it can to correct the inaccuracies and clear up any confusion caused by the article.

It takes understanding and cooperation to correct misunderstandings and inaccuracies. The letters to the editor have provided us with important feedback. With constructive criticism The Chronicle will grow and the quality of the newspaper will continue to improve.

Ultimately, we at The Chronicle must trust our staff to investigate a story to the best of their ability. We need to continue to teach our writers the proper writing and research techniques and rely on them to use the knowledge that they have learned.

The Chronicle is a learning center, a place for students to learn skills that are not offered in the regular curriculum. Mistakes will be made and editors will scramble trying to sort out what went wrong.

With new people coming into The Chronicle each semester and an administration that changes yearly, it is hard to keep up with all the issues on this campus. Especially with an ongoing event such as the general education requirement, in all its different forms. Trying to make your way through the various documents involved in the adoption of the general education requirements is a daunting task.

It is hard to admit a mistake was made. We made a mistake. We have learned. After all, we are only human.

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Letters to the Editor

General Education

The staff of the Chronicle has done a disservice to the students and faculty of Purdue University Calumet by conveying gross inaccuracies in a page one article and a page four editorial in the February 17 issue. Both pieces addressed the newly approved general education requirements for students.

The page one article entitled "New core requirements passed" was prepared for publication without the author interviewing anyone on The Council of Faculty Delegates. The resulting errors begin in the very first sentence, where the author reported that the new general education requirements were voted upon by the faculty. The faculty did not vote on that document, the council (as its governing body) did. The Council is composed of the Chancellor, the Vice Chancellors for Administrative Services, Student Services, and Academic Affairs, the President of the Student Government Association and 24 faculty.

The document for general education requirements was not introduced by Prof. Eugene Schlossberger. Prof. Schlossberger is not even on the council. The document was introduced by Prof. Linda S. Mura, Chair of the Research and Educational policy Committee of the Council of Faculty Delegates, who was not interviewed for this article.

The article also erroneously reports that the approval of this document will require structure and staffing changes in order to implement it. To the contrary, existing structures and courses are in place to successfully implement the new requirements. The Council of Faculty Delegates in not trying to reinvent the wheel, but rather make sure that all students at this university have a common foundation, as suggested by the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities (our accrediting agency)

It is indeed unfortunate that this important issue has been mangled by the irresponsible reporting and editorializing of The Chronicle. Current and future students of Purdue University Calumet deserve better from their publication. At the least, they deserve accuracy.

Sincerely,
Judith L. Hack
Presiding Officer
Council of Faculty Delegates

More general education

As chair of the Research and Educational Policy committee I was astounded to read the article entitled "New Core Requirement Passed" in the February 17 issue. I have been involved with the development of general education at Purdue Calumet over the past five years. The requirements cited in this article were never a part of any formal document considered by the Research and Educational Policy. Having presented the document which was adopted by the Council, I was surprised to learn that Professor Schlossberger had introduced the proposal.

The side bar listed a general curriculum quite similar to that which was passed by the Council of Faculty Delegates. To even the casual reader it is apparent that theses requirements do not parallel those in the article by Ms. Tennione. I am concerned that student readers may be somewhat confused as to what the future general education requirements are.

I called the editor of The Chronicle on February 17 to question why this incorrect article appeared. He was unable to explain why an article with no factual basis was published and suggested that I was only "presenting an opinion" regarding what was passed. Later that day I sent an e-mail to the Chronicle asking for clarification as to the source of the article and asking that clarification be published. To date, I have had no reply.

The purpose of this letter is twofold. First, I urge students to read the administration update regarding general education. This update lists the requirements approved by the Council of Faculty Delegates. The second, and more important, purpose is to urge the editors of the Chronicle to ascertain that the information presented in their articles are factual prior to publication.

Sincerely,
Linda S. Mura
Chair, Research and Educational Policy Committee
Council of Faculty Delegates

? a) Depression is a bunch of symptoms exhibited by weak people.

b) Depression is an unbearable suppression of brain activity that can strike anyone.

Straightening out all the misconceptions, the correct answer is 'b'. It's a concept we should all understand and remember, and here's why. Depression strikes millions of young adults, but only 1 out of 5 ever seeks treatment for it. Too many just drag themselves along or eventually seek relief through suicide. Why not treatment? Partly lack of awareness, Partly the unwarranted negative stigma. This is what needs fixing. This is where we need you to change your attitudes. It's an illness, not a weakness. And it's readily treatable. Spreading the word and making this common knowledge is everybody's assignment.

UNTREATED DEPRESSION
#1 Cause of Suicide

Public Service message from SA VE Suicide Awareness Voices of Education)
http://www.save.org

Standing on the edge of time

Cloning and our futures - commentary by Scott Gonzales

Never has a sheep caused as much discussion as Dolly. She, however, is an exception. Dolly of course is one of the eight sheep that scientists have created in Scottish labs by means of cloning. Cloning is asexual reproduction that yields genetic replicant offspring that are almost physically identical to the original cells used. What cloning holds in store for our futures is another conflict between ethics and benefits.

First the good news. Cloning can be used to benefit humans in many ways. "Scientists have laid the groundwork for a process which has so much potential benefit," says Charles Tseng of Purdue Calumet's Biological Sciences Department. "The benefits are numerous; from genes, to human transplants, to even food production."

Many scientists agree with Tseng. The need for human organs for transplants, which are in great demand today, can be relieved severely with the help of cloning. These organs would also have a greater chance of working with the patient. There will be less chance of organ rejection because it is created out of the patient's cells.

Imagine cows, pigs and sheep being grown by the thousands from a single cell. This could alleviate famines in many countries such as Africa, Europe and North America. "The basic technique is already there. The scientific community sees the ethical problems as the only thing in the way," says Tseng. "The social structure has to be greatly changed to accept cloning in the future." That's the greatest obstacle with which we as a society must cope. Are we ready for cloning?

Behavior Sciences Professor David Raden states, "Society's values are never ready to handle the advances in technology. Ethically, no mechanism is ready for society by any means. It is society that comes to terms with technology."

'Scientists have laid the groundwork for a process which has so much potential benefit.'
Charles Tseng,
Biology department

Raden cites this as a classic case of what sociologists call "cultural lag." This is where technology moves faster than the values, ideals and in some ways, the comprehension of society. Then there is the ultimate question. Are we playing God? Are we creating because we could or because we should?

Then there are myths with which to contend. Say you wake up and don't feel like going to class today. Well send your clone. Say you want tickets for that big concert coming up but don't want to stand in line for the tickets. Send a clone. You have to go to the Department of Motor Vehicles for something. The lines are always horrendous there, so you send your clone. One day you might be able to watch a pay-per-view special featuring a team of Michael Jordans versus another team of Michael Jordans.

There are also the stories of the wrong people getting hold of this technology and creating an army of Hitlers, a gang of Charles Mansons, or a throng of never say die insurance salesman. It is then that you start to think to yourselves, "If only this power could be used for good!" It is then that we start to think about the many issues involved with cloning.

I seem to take more stock in the benefits which lie ahead for us than believe the tall stories being mulled around the water coolers, which always seem to involve such myths. Now that the secret of creation is out there, cells can be manipulated at will and beings can be created without any sense of responsibility. It seems that this new knowledge also becomes a new source of power. "In some sense, technology is power," says Raden, "and power is taking on a whole new meaning these days."

It is quite evident that we as a society are standing at the edge of time, standing on the verge of a brave new world. It's now very clear that those scientists in Scotland thought as much. Cloning, like it or not, is a new frontier. Men are no longer needed to create life. Some women I know have always known that men were never needed. Maybe they were on to something all along.

Photo Opinion

What is your idea of a perfect spring break?

Ricardo Davis, freshman, EET

"I would sleep to noon every day and stay up until 2 a.m. everynight."

Jamie Jablonski, freshman, Accounting

"My ideal spring break would be to go on a cruise with my boyfriend to the Bahamas."

Shenette Jackson, soph., Communications

"To spend spring break in Jamaica with all my friends and PARTY EVERYNIGHT!!!!"

Tadrinna Yates, sophomore, Comm./ Music

"To spend spring break on the beautiful pink sand beaches of Bermuda and drink exotic drinks. To receive body massages and sleep under the Bermuda moon."

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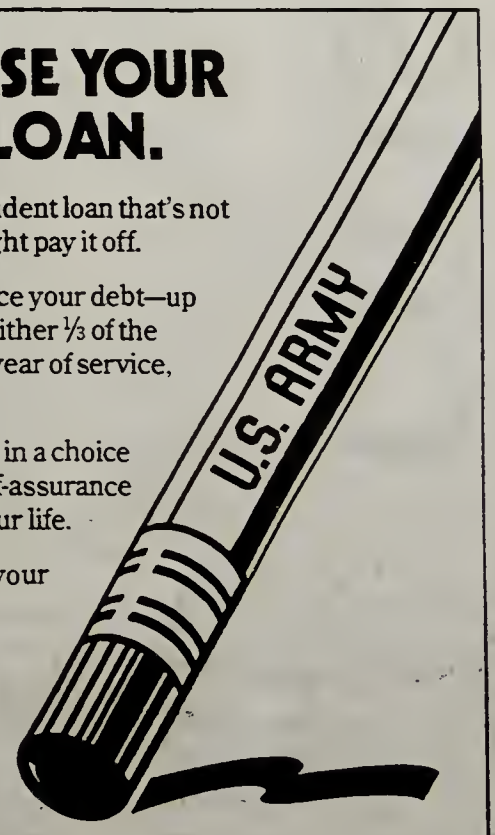

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'Wish upon a Star' musical review benefits local man

Music from every aspect – movies, shows, modern, rock and much much more.

BY SUMMER CORONADO
Entertainment Writer

Michael Mc Bride is a 24-year-old resident of Northwest Indiana. He and his immediate family reside in NWI and the south/southwest suburbs of Illinois. Mike is a graduate of Lake Central High School, and employed at Midwest Auto Repair, Inc. in Schererville. His fiancee is Shannon Daley of Portage and they have a nine month old daughter, Haley.

In the summer of 1996, Mike was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer known as Extra Skeletal Ewing's Sarcoma. His case is one of only 16 ever reported. Although Mike has completed and is still receiving heavy doses of chemotherapy, many procedures for extra chemotherapy and bone marrow transplants are considered experimental and his health insurance will not pay for these procedures. Mike underwent radical surgery in January.

His hospital bills are reaching nearly $300,000, and Mike hasn't been able to return to work at this time. "Wish Upon A Star" is one of many programs developed to raise money to help alleviate some of the financial burdens of Mike and his family.

Donations will be accepted c/o Michael J. Mc Bride Cancer Fund, Account No. 135664 (E.I.N. 35-1844018) Centier Bank, 1121 Sheffield Ave., Dyer, IN 46311.

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Musical Review: 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Visa, Mastercard or personal checks will be accepted.

'Gypsy' is finally here

BY SUMMER M. CORONADO
Entertainment Writer

This week, the award winning musical "Gypsy," by Jule Styne (music) and Stephen Sondeim (lyrics), based on the memoirs of the famed stripper, Gypsy Rose Lee. (Book by Arthur Laurents) will be presented at Purdue Calumet in Alumni Hall.

"Gypsy," tells the life story of Gypsy Rose Lee, a famous stripper, who as a child was said to have no talent, no looks and no brain. Always in the shadow of her sister June, a talented singer/dancer of Vaudeville, Louise was always second rate and reminded her whole life that she was not gifted theatrically. That is until one day after overhearing the owner of a burlesque house desperate to find a "new stripper" for the star spot, Louise's mother Rose, offers her daughter to strip in exchange for the star salary. After teasing the audience into believing that she will discard all her clothing, she becomes a hit! From then on she is known as, Gypsy Rose Lee, the highest paid stripper in the business.

Starring in "Gypsy," is Lisa Woodruff of Dyer as "Mama Rose," Michael D. Stewart as "Uncle Jocko," Debbie Wilczynski of Merrillville as "Louise," Tim Payne of Valparaiso as "Herbie," Sheree R. Wheeler of Kouts as "June," Amanda Morales of Portage as "Young June," Stephanie Boettcher of Schererville as "Young Louise," Heather Brickman of Hammond as "Tessie," Belinda Medellin of Merrillville as "Mazeppa," and Megan Dagley of Highland as "Electra." Production staff includes director Tom Bogucki, musical director Trisha Hales and choreographer Larry Colgan.

General admission is $10. Students through high school and senior tickets are $8. Purdue Calumet students are free with SSF card. For more information please call the Purdue Theatre Company at (219) 989-2357 In Illinois please call (708) 862-5690 ext. 2357.

'Gypsy' show dates are March 7,8,14 & 15 at 8 p.m. (Fridays & Saturdays) Sunday, March 9 at 5 p.m.

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44 Poetic word
45 Religious group
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48 Snakes
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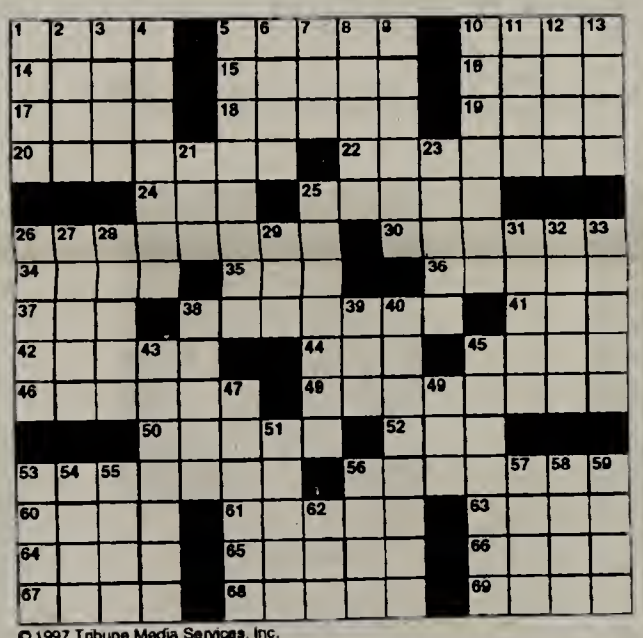

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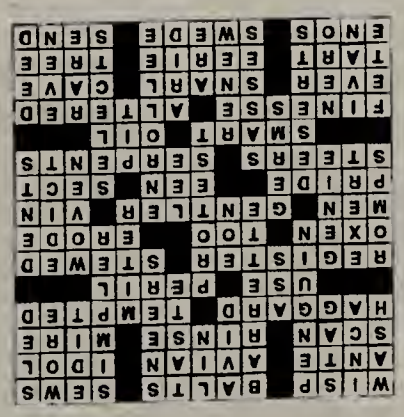

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A full seven percent of the entire Irish barley crop goes to the production of Guinness beer.

Des Moines has the highest per capita Jello consumption in the U.S

If you stretch a standard Slinky out flat it measures 87 feet long.

Most Americans' car horns beep in the key of F.

The little lump of flesh just forward of your ear canal, right next to your temple, is called a tragus.

The correct response to the Irish greeting, "Top of the morning to you," is "and the rest of the day to yourself."

Cathy Rigby is the only woman to pose nude for Sports Illustrated. (August 1972)

Clans of long ago that wanted to get rid of their unwanted people without killing them use to burn their houses down - hence the expression "to get fired."

No modern language has a true concept of "I am." It is always used linked with are in reference of another verb.

Lorne Greene had one of his nipples bitten off by an aligator while he hosted "Lorne Greene's Wild Kingdom."

Cat's urine glows under a blacklight.

If you bring a raccoon's head to the Henniker, New Hampshire town hall, you are entitled to receive $.10 from the town

The only two days of the year in which there are no professional sports games (MLB, NBA, NHL, or NFL) are the day before and the day after the Major League Baseball All-Star Game.

The Boston University Bridge (on Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts) is the only place in the world where a boat can sail under a train driving under a car driving under an airplane.

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Sound Reasoning

Bush's 'Razorblade Suitcase' disappoints

BY KEITH HARRISON
CPS

Bush 'Razorblade Suitcase'
Trauma/Interscope

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Let's get the predictable stuff out of the way first: The guys in Bush are painfully unoriginal Nirvana wannabes. Music historians, in fact, eventually will dispatch them to the same waste heap that already acts as the final resting place for the rotting remains of other clone groups, like the U2 wannabe band the Alarm.

Amazingly, the Bush lads are so brazen about their Nirvana fixation that they actually hired "In Utero" helmsman Steve Albini to record this new disc. All they need to do now is move to Seattle, have pretty boy singer Gavin Rossdale marry Courtney Love, and become smack addicts.

OK. Now here's the real reason why "Razorblade Suitcase" is such a disappointment: It does little to bolster the band's true and not entirely useless mission in the entertainment universe, which is of course to be the rock-'n'roll equivalent of "Melrose Place."

These guys should be cranking out power ballads like their earlier smash "Glycerin," songs as dopey, overwrought and consequently irresistible as any night with Amanda, Jake and the rest of the "Melrose" crew. But aside from a "Glycerin" knockoff called "Swallowed" plus a few others, such giddy guilty pleasures are in rare supply on this new disc.

Instead, the band burrows through "In Utero" angst or takes boring stabs at brooding minimalism, and "Razorblade Suitcase" conveys only the sad, hollow sound of a band ignoring its destiny.

'Sides 1-4' Various artists
Skin Graft Records

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Now this is fun. For this double 7-inch record set, Skin Graft rounded up a group of indie rockers, noise rockers and post-rockers, then let them wreak havoc upon the mighty music of AC/DC.

U.S. Maple steals the show with a take on "Sin City" that's all buried, slurred vocals and strangulated guitar runs. Shellac's stripped-bare "Jailbreak" recalls the classic Gang of Four sound, and the hell-and-back vocals in the Big'N version of "TNT" would have made the late Bon Scott jealous. Brise-Glace closes out the package with a pastiche of classic, bristling Angus Young guitar riffs.

Buy one, crank the volume, and just wait for your dorm's resident headbanger to start screaming about sacrilege.

Skin Graft Records, P.O. Box 257546, Chicago Ill. 60625.

Actor's diary

BY SUMMER M. CORONADO
Entertainment Writer

Constantine D. Hanzivasilis, "Dean"
PUC student
Part in Gypsy: "Pasty"

"I am a single student here at Purdue Calumet majoring in Communications/ Psychology. I hope to utilize my degree as a safety net to fall back on in case my acting career falters. I own and operate a used car business as my means of support until acting can pay the bills. My hobbies include: a love for warm weather, the outdoors, riding my motorcycle, playing basketball, animals, children, video games, going out with friends and having a good time."

In preparing for the role of "Patsy," Dean says that he used meditation as a tool to help him discover his characters identity. Commenting on performance of his fellow actors, Dean expects to be very impressed with the quality of, and talent in the show. "Everyone seems to approach their work with extreme professionalism. It will be a great show." He also is excited and impressed by the diversity of skills the cast displays. Since the start of rehearsals, Dean says that, "Each rehearsal makes me look forward to opening night even more. As I see the pieces start to come together, my anticipation of this being a great show grows. I find that instead of studying my lines, during rehearsals, I tend to be engrossed with the acting on stage. They're all so talented and many times I find it hard to stop myself from laughing."

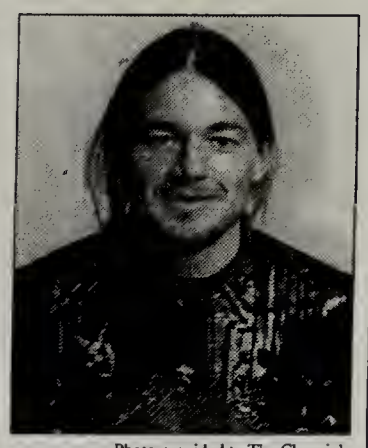
"So far it's been a pleasure working with all the cast and crew. Everyone seems to be motivated to give their all, to make this a successful show. I hope to use this performance as a chance to improve my acting skills in hopes of expanding my career. Performing has been a lifelong dream of mine. It's an incredible feeling to actually be taking steps towards achieving this goal."

'If you want to totally lose yourself for a couple of hours back in the wild, topsy turvy, up and down world of Vaudeville's last years, then this hilarious show is a must see.'
Dean Hanzivasilis

Dean has learned from both the director and his fellow cast members. From Tom Bogucki (director), I have learned, "how to take a more professional approach to my craft, and how to focus on what I'm doing in each scene. From the rest of the cast, I have especially learned good work ethics. Everyone takes a professional approach and works hard at their job."

When asked about his favorite scenes in "Gypsy," a big grin crosses his face, and he says, "I am particular to the Burlesque house scenes. The interaction between the strippers and the way the leads deal with the burlesque house employees is hysterical."

Dean says the audience will see the actors having a great time, and hopes to keep them entertained. "Many talented people have pooled their resources which promises to make this show very interesting, exciting, fun and well worth seeing." He also believes that the message portrayed in "Gypsy" is, "Put your heart and soul into something and it will be yours."



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Dean Hanzivasilis will portray 'Patsy' in the PUC musical production, 'Gypsy.'

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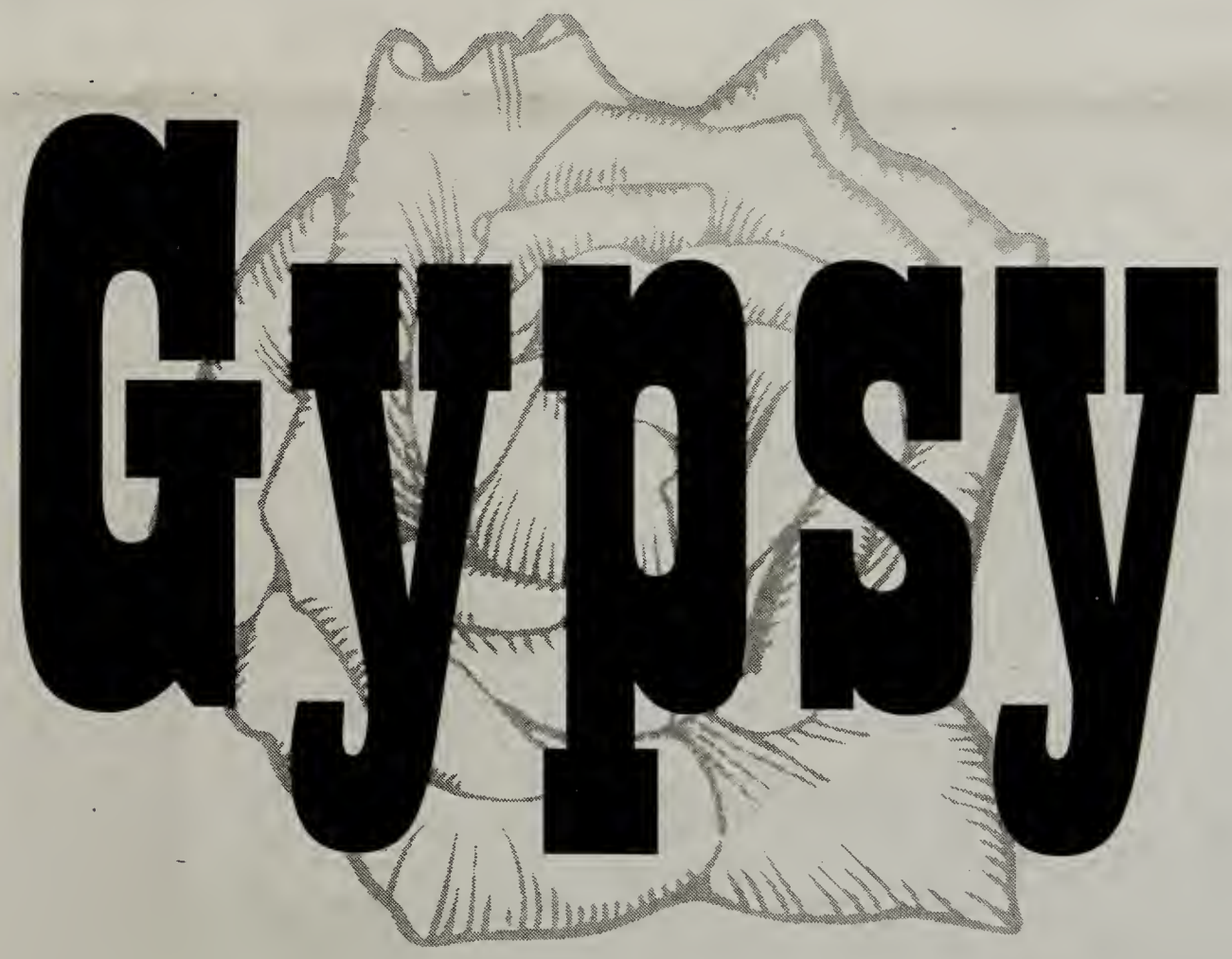

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Horoscopes

Change is predicted for Monday. Hard work with good friends makes strong bonds on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday and Friday are best for scientific projects. The week culminates with a solar eclipse in Pisces. Expect a gentle, spiritual theme to gain in strength until this weekend, and then continue to flavor the rest of the month. Set marvelous fantasy goals over the weekend.

Aries

(March 21-April 19). You'll want to get out for a drive or long run on Monday. Take a friend who makes you laugh. You'll feel more like crying on Tuesday and Wednesday, when a professor hands you a tough assignment. Go over it with your friends on Thursday and Friday. Between the batch of you, the problem will be solved. Finish up everything you've ever promised over this weekend, or make new agreements. It's freeing.

Taurus

(April 20-May 20). Your sweetheart's career problems could affect your pocketbook on Monday. Be a stabilizing influence. Travel, or study foreign languages on Tuesday and Wednesday. Accept a foreigner's help. A pedantic professor will try to make your life miserable on Thursday or Friday. Tough it out. Have a marvelous weekend with your friends and your true love. You're lucky in more ways than you realize.

Gemini

(May 21-June 21). A friendly argument leads to brilliant insights on Monday. Put your finances into order and pay bills Tuesday and Wednesday. Make a decision about future studies Wednesday night. On Thursday, take the necessary action. Friday starts out OK but gets tricky later. You may feel not quite up to speed over the weekend. It's because you're resisting authority. Give in and you'll have more fun than you thought possible.

Cancer

(June 22-July 22). Monday's a lot of hard work. Don't get distracted by a clown. Tuesday and Wednesday are too much for any one person. Get a partner to help so you can meet the deadline. Take care of financial paperwork on Thursday and Friday. Those are good days to get bureaucratic problems ironed out, too. Travel with a loved one over the weekend.

Leo

(July 23-Aug. 22). Your sweetheart may behave erratically on Monday. Don't take it too seriously. Focus on your work Tuesday and Wednesday or you'll drop behind. Those are also good days to find a job. A good partner will make a big difference on Thursday and Friday. Get your finances in order and make up a budget over the weekend. You can have what you want, but it may take a while. Get busy saving now.

Virgo

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Changes at home disrupt your schedule Monday. A date on Tuesday or Wednesday could lead to true love. Choose a practical, hard-working person. A more intellectual type helps with a tough assignment on Thursday or Friday. Spend the weekend with your mate, discussing the future together. If you don't have a mate yet, you may by Sunday.

Libra

(Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're sharp on Monday. Study an esoteric subject and it'll make perfect sense. Stay home Tuesday night and do the housework. By Wednesday evening, you may have a much better offer. Romance dominates your life from then through Friday morning. On Friday night your guilt increases as a deadline looms. You may have to work over the weekend. Don't despair; it'll help you pay off a really annoying debt.

Scorpio

(Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Go shopping Monday. Get a gift for a loved one and something nice for yourself, too. You'll learn best on Tuesday and Wednesday, so maximize your study efforts then. Stay home Thursday and catch up on your reading. Friday morning's tough, but by that evening your luck's changed for the better. This weekend is simply marvelous for love. You and your sweetheart may not get anything else done, but that's OK.

Sagittarius

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're lucky on Monday. That's good, because changes make the day confusing. Shop Tuesday and Wednesday. Get something you need to do a job better. About Wednesday night you'll start feeling like studying. Do this as much as possible through Friday morning. It doesn't happen all that often. From Friday night through the weekend, hide out in your room. You can invite a friend over if you'd like.

Capricorn

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). On Monday, finish an old project. Start new ones on Tuesday and Wednesday. By Wednesday night, you'll feel the urge to go shopping. Get materials that will help you understand a difficult subject better. This is not cheating. Continue with that assignment until about Friday night. You'll start wondering about the nature of life, love and happiness then. Explore those questions over the weekend.

Aquarius

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Friends try to help with a financial mess on Monday, but could make it worse. Take care. You're under quite a bit of pressure Tuesday and Wednesday. It eases as you finish past due projects. Go shopping for a frivolously romantic item Wednesday night. Hide your money Thursday or it will dribble away. Finish more old business Friday morning and write the checks over the weekend.

Pisces

(Feb. 19-March 20). Don't move too quickly on an assignment Monday - it could change. Friends help you out of a jam on Tuesday or Wednesday. On Wednesday night, you start feeling pressured to finish a science project. Do that by Friday morning. That evening you'll be really antsy to get going. This weekend could be the most marvelous of your young life. Plan accordingly.

If You're Having a Birthday This Week ... Born March 3: Learn to manage an authority figure and you've got it made. Born March 4-5: Friends teach you the most important lessons of all. Born March 6-7: Finish up old assignments this year so you can start a new life next year. Born March 8-9: You are magnificent. It doesn't get much better than this. Manage your resources wisely.

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